Foreign Nationals in Kutch, Gujarat

1391. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of foreign nationals are arrested from Kutch district of Gujarat during the year 1991;

(b) the number of cases filed and under which Act;

(c) the number of smugglers arrested during the current year there; and

(d) what action has been taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) to (d) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Damage to roads/National Highways due to rains

1392. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that due to recent heavy rains in Delhi and other parts of the country, the roads/National Highways have been badly damaged;

(b) if so, whether Government have since contemplated any measures to repair the roads/National Highways in a time-bound period to prevent accidents; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) to (c) Government of India is primarily concerned with the development and maintenance of roads which have been declared as National Highways. All other roads are essentially the concern of the State Governments. Reports about damages to some of the National Highways due to recent rains have been received. Necessary restoration works are being undertaken by the State Governments to keep the National Highways in a traffic worthy condition. Out of the total budget allocation of Rs. 156.78 crores in 1991-92 for maintenance of National Highways, a sum of Rs. 52.18 crores has already been released to the State PWDs for the purpose.

Involvement of private operators in DTC

1393. SHRI SURESH KALMADI:
SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY:
SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU:
SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA:

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to allow more private transporters into the operation of Delhi Transport Corporation and allow the private operators to draw up their own fare structure;

(b) if so, the fare structure drawn by the private operators will be at variance with that of the Corporation or not; and

(c) if so, details of the terms and conditions on which the private sector is to run their buses in the Capital and when the final decision is likely to be taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise in view of reply to (a) above.

Collapse of Mandovi bridge in Goa

1394. SHRI JOHN F. FERNANDES: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) at what stage the enquiry has reached in the collapse of the span of Mandovi Bridge in Goa constructed by U.P. Bridge Corporation;

(b) whose responsibility is it to remove the collapsed span from the river bed and whether the controversy regarding removal of fallen span, the bridge work is pending; and

(c) by when this new bridge will be ready for use?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) The one man Enquiry Commission investigating the cause of the collapse of the span of Mandovi, Bridge is yet to submit its report.

(b) It is the responsibility of M/s. U.P. State Bridge Corporation who are the contractors for constructing this bridge, to remove the debris of the fallen span and truss from the river bed. The work of construction of the bridge is however in progress.

(c) The bridge is expected to be completed by June, 1992.

देश में दंगे

1395. **श्री मोहम्मद अफजल उर्फ मीम अफजल**: क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) 15.11.90 से 15.8.91 तक की अवधि के दौरान देश में कितने दंगे हुए; और

(ख) इन दंगों में कितने व्यक्ति मारे गए?

संसदीय कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री और गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री एम. एम. जैकब): (क) और (ख) राज्य सरकारों/संघ शासित क्षेत्र प्रशासनों से सूचना एकत्र की जा रही है और सदन के पटल पर रख दी जायेगी।

S.T.D. facility for towns in Orissa

1396. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal to provide S.T.D. facility to some towns in Orissa during the financial year 1991-92;

(b) if so, the names of the towns selected therefor; and

(c) the towns in other States which are likely to be provided STD facilities in the year 1991-92?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. It is proposed to provide S.T.D. facility to 45 stations, namely

Rajnilgiri, Remuna, Udala, Rairangpur, Karanjia, Chandbali, Badmal Kantabanji, Patnagarh, Sonepur, Athgarh Banki, Dhanmandal, Jagatsingpur, Jajpur Town, Salepur, Athmalik Anandapur, Palaspanga, Champua Hindol, Bhanjanagar, Digapahandi Parlakhemundi, Dharamgarh, Malkangiri, Umerkote, Baliguda, Boudh Konark, Sakhigopal, Bamra, Barpali Belpahar, Brajarajnagar, Kuchinda Padmapur, Rairakhol, Bonaigarh, Birmitrapur, Rajganipur, Pattamundai Joda, Kesinga and Hinjilicut.

(c) State-wise List of towns (other than Orissa) is placed at Statement [*See* Appendiv 160, Annexure No. 52)

Prosecution of Burmese boys for Hijacking the Plane

1397. SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to refer to reply given to Unstarred Question 42 on 6th March, 1991 in the Rajya Sabha: